

**Amendments to the specification:**

On page 1, after the title, please insert the following:

**CROSS-REFERENCE**

The invention described and claimed hereinbelow is also described in Korean application 2002-0075228, filed November 29, 2002. This Korean Patent Application, whose subject matter is incorporated here by reference, provides the basis for a claim of priority of invention under 35 U.S.C. 119 (a)-(d).

On page 8, please amend the first full paragraph as follows:

Moreover, it is preferable that a mixing ratio by weight of the polystyrene polymer or polystyrene copolymer to polyurethane ranges from 1:99 to 30:70 (w/w). More preferably, the mixing ratio is in the range of 1:99 to 25:75 (w/w). Most preferably, the mixing ratio is in the range of 1:99 to 10:90. If the polystyrene polymer or copolymer is used in the amount smaller than 1 part by weight, a final the elastic polyurethane fiber has poor heat set properties. On the other hand, if the polystyrene polymer or copolymer is used in the amount larger than 10 wt% ~~30 parts by weight~~, the spinning stability becomes inferior, and fundamental properties of the elastic polyurethane fiber are severely degraded. In the present invention, the spinning process is not particularly limited, and a dry spinning process, a wet spinning process, or a melt spinning process may be used, in addition to a chemical spinning process.